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1. PREPARATIONS FOR THE ENERGY COMMISSION: DISCUSSION AT HEADS OF DEL LUNCH FOCUSSED ON REVIEW OF AGENCY'S PROCEDURES FOR COORDINATION ON DIALOGUE. COMMITMENT TO CLOSEST POSSIBLE TYPE OF COORDINATION OF VIEWS AND POSITIONS WAS RECONFIRMED. IT WAS ALSO AGREED THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD ITSELF WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE POLICY DIRECTION FOR THIS COORDINATION. AS A PROVISIONAL PROCEDURE, IT WAS AGREED THAT TACTICAL COORDINATION FOR FIRST MEETING OF THE COMMISSION WILL BE CARRIED OUT THROUGH AD HOC MEETING OF FIVE ENERGY COMMISSION PARTICIPANTS ON FEBRUARY 11 IN WHICH THREE OTHER DEVELOPED COUNTRY CIEC PARTICIPANTS PLUS OTHER MEMBERS OF IEA ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. HEADS OF DEL AGREED TO RETURN AT LATER DATE TO QUESTION OF HOW SUBSTANTIVE PREPARATION BELOW GOVERNING BOARD LEVEL WILL BE HANDLED. IN MEANTIME, THE SECRETARIAT WILL PROCEED RAPIDLY WITH THE COMPLETION AND REVISION OF VARIOUS IEA ANALYTICAL PAPERS. SECRETARIAT WILL ALSO KEEP ALL IEA MEMBERS INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS DURING COMMISSION MEETING THROUGH FREQUENT BRIEFINGS OF PERMANENT DELEGATIONS.

2. TIME DID NOT PERMIT A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF TACTICAL ISSUES WHICH WILL BE INVOLVED WHEN AGENDA IS DISCUSSED AT FIRST ENERGY COMMISSION MEETING. SOME DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED TENTATIVE VIEW THAT COUNTRIES SHOULD NOT PRESENT ANY DETAILED LIST OF TOPICS AS COUNTER TO G-19 LISTS. THIS QUESTION WILL HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED AT COORDINATION MEETING ON FEBRUARY 10.

3. FRG AND ONE OR TWO OTHER DELEGATIONS POINTED TO SUGGESTION BY CO-CHAIRMEN GROUP WHICH WOULD NOT INCLUDE OECD AS PERMANENT OBSERVER ON ENERGY COMMISSION. U.S. (BOSWORTH) EXPLAINED THIS HAD RESULTED FROM GENERAL DESIRE TO LIMIT NUMBER OF OBSERVERS IN THE COMMISSIONS. HE NOTED THAT ANY ATTEMPT WITHIN THE COMMISSION TO DESIGNATE OECD AS PERMANENT OBSERVER WOULD DOUBTLESS BE MATCHED BY G-19 MOVE TO INCLUDE UNCTAD AND SELA.

4. THE RELATED QUESTION OF HOW TO PROVIDE FOR SOME CONFIDENTIAL

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FORM OF COORDINATION WITH NON-IEA OECD MEMBERS WAS ALSO DISCUSSED BRIEFLY. POSSIBILITY OF ACTIVATING OECD ENERGY POLICY COMMITTEE FOR SUCH PURPOSE WAS RAISED TENTATIVELY. THERE WAS NO RESOLUTION ON THESE POINTS, BUT U.S. SUPPORTED BY NUMBER OF OTHER DELEGATIONS INDICATED DESIRE NOT TO DILUTE IEA'S UNIQUE RESPONSIBILITY.
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